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2 BUSTS ORDERED BY HALL OF FAME

Sculptors Commissioned to Do
Statues of Thomas Paine
and Susan B. Anthony

Brenda Putnam and Malvina Hoffman, portrait sculptors, have been commissioned by the Hall of Fame for Great Americans to fashion busts of Susan B. Anthony and Thomas Paine, Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, director of the memorial, announced yesterday.

The busts will be unveiled on May 18 at the Hall of Fame, which is on New York University's Bronx campus, 181st Street and University Avenue.

Miss Putnam and Miss Hoffman were selected by a special art committee composed of fellow sculptors who are past presidents of the National Sculpture Society.

Miss Putnam, who will execute the bust of Susan B. Anthony, crusader for women's rights, is a specialist in portraiture and is well known as a modeler of infants. She served as pianist with the Edith Rubel Trio for two years and she is the author of "The Sculptor's Way," published in 1939 by Farrar & Rhinehart.

Miss Hoffman will execute the bust of Thomas Paine, prominent figure in the American Revolution and author of the pamphlet "Common Sense." She is a fellow of the National Sculpture Society and of the New York Historical Society. Her works are displayed permanently in fifteen states and four foreign countries.

Seven of Miss Hoffman's pieces are in the Metropolitan Museum of Art and seven others in the Museum of Natural History.